



St. Francis

Church of England Primary School

Joy from faith, joy of learning, joy in the journey

Week ending: 21.11.25

'I have told you this so my joy may be in you' John 15:11

Upcoming dates

Monday 24th November:

Y1 visiting Cherry Tree Library 2.45 – 3.25pm. Parents/carers to pick up their (Y1) children from the library at home time

Wednesday 26th November:

2.00 – 3.25pm – Y3's Charity Craft Afternoon – info for all parents below

Friday 28th November:

Christmas Jumper Day – children can wear their Christmas jumpers with their uniforms and bring in donations for our Christmas Fair please. Details below

Monday 1st December:

Our choir are singing at Blackburn Cathedral 6.30pm

Wednesday 3rd December:

Christmas Craft Day in school

Thursday 4th December: Christmas Tree Service 9.15 – 10.15am – parents/carers welcome; Worship Wardens to lead this special service

Friday 5th December:

PTA Christmas Fair

Monday 8th December: EYFS welcoming Fred & Pearl into school to make Christmas Crafts. See flyer below.

Wednesday 10th December: Year 1 to Year 6 trip to Planet Ice to watch Dick Whittington (EYFS will have their own exciting event – details soon!)

EYFS to have a Festive Afternoon of Fun!

Thursday 11th December:

St Luke's Christmas Show in school

Friday 12th December: Rocksteady Concert 9.15 – 9.45am – parents/carers welcome to join us

Tuesday 16th December: Y1/2 Nativity Play 2.15pm – parents/carers welcome to join us

Wednesday 17th December: Christmas Parties in class; Piano and keyboard concert 9.15 – 9.45am; Christmas Dinner; PTA Christmas Movie evening – children can change into their PJs

Thursday 18th December: School closes for Christmas holidays at 1pm.

As we navigate through this half term, our school community has been reflecting deeply on our current value of 'Faith'. This powerful theme was beautifully explored on Monday and again yesterday when Rev'd Bryn visited and shared the inspiring biblical story of Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego. Through their remarkable tale of unwavering belief, we were reminded that even in life's most challenging moments, faith can provide strength and hope.

We extend our warm gratitude to Mrs Rushton for delivering an exceptional Messy Church session yesterday. Her dedication to creating meaningful learning experiences continues to inspire our children.

I would like to express our sincere appreciation to Mr Les Cade from Livesey Parish Council. His generous donation has enabled us to purchase new sports tops for our children, supporting their physical education and team spirit.



Best Attendance of the week!

Our attendance figures were really positive this week with two classes above national averages!

The team percentages were as follows:

Summer 94%; Spring 96%; Autumn 97%; Winter 98%

Well done to Winter for winning for the second week in a row!



Reception class award winners



Year 1 award winner



Year 2 award winner



Year 3 award winner



Year 4 award winners



Year 5 award winners



Well Done to our girls!

Our girls' football team braved the weather on two occasions this week at different tournaments. They showed resilience, camaraderie and football skills galore! Mr Turner was very proud of them all and so are we!



Y6 award winners



Street Survey – Interested Parents needed

Thank you to all those parents who have already completed the survey about parking at, and travelling to, our school. There is still time to complete the survey if you haven't already.

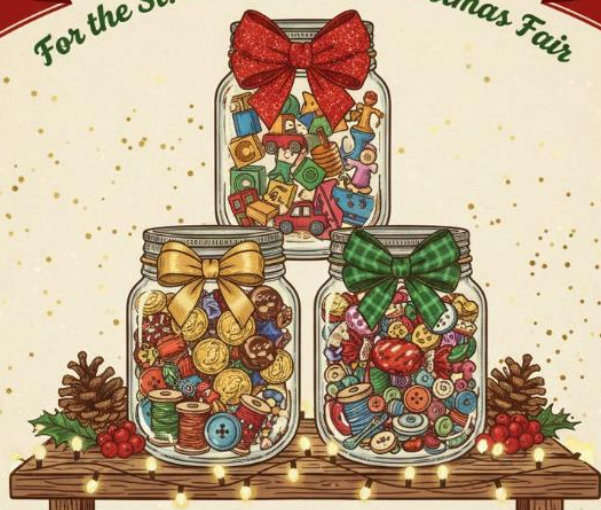
If you wish to be part of our audit group with Living Streets, to help to decide on safer strategies to get to school each day, please let the office know. An audit has been arranged for 15th January at 9.30am, where the audit group will meet together and walk some routes to school to agree on the next steps with the council to keep everyone safe on the roads.

Photos from our Lego Club



CHRISTMAS JAR COLLECTION

For the St. Francis PTA Christmas Fair



We are looking for donations of Christmas Jars to support the Tombola. Please fill and decorate a jar, any jar any size. Contents range from little toys to chocolate or craft supplies anything you wish.

Donations are required before 28th November

JOIN US FOR OUR CHRISTMAS FAIR

NOVEMBER 22ND, 2025
1:30PM TO 3:30PM

St Francis Church, Fensiccliffe

Includes, raffles, games, tombolas, craft stalls, cake stall, face painting, refreshments with a live brass band and Santa.

Come and join in with some Christmas fun



CHRISTMAS RAINBOW WORKSHOP

Design and make your very own christmas rainbow with Becky from Fred and Pearl.



Email fredandpearlgifts@hotmail.com to book a party or session at your school/workplace.

Year 3's Christmas "Meal in a Bag" Appeal

Year 3 are collecting items to create Christmas meals in a bag for families in need.

We'd love your support!

PLEASE SEND IN ANY OF THE FOLLOWING BY WEDNESDAY 26TH NOVEMBER

- Packet jelly
- Tinned vegetables
- Biscuits
- Juice
- Tinned meat



THANK YOU

St Francis PTA invite you to the CHRISTMAS FAIR

Arts & Crafts, Snacks, Gift Stalls, Raffle, Tombola & Games



FREE ENTRY

Friday 5th December 3.30- 5.30

Please bring cash to spend at the fair